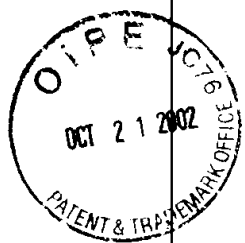


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Dear Sir:

Prior to the substantive examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1<sup>✓</sup>5-30 without prejudice of filing a divisional application.

Please replace claims 1<sup>✓</sup>-14 with the following new claims 1-14. A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached.